Application No. 10/069,565 Reply to Office Action of March 16, 2005

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Applicants thank Examiner Cintins for the helpful and courteous discussion of March

29, 2005. During the discussion, an amendment to the claims of the present application to

correct matters of form was discussed.

The amendment to the claims obviates the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejections and the passage of all now-pending claims to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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